Terrorist bases along LoC in J & K

1633. DR. AKHILESH DAS: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether latest reports reveal that Pakistani ISI has reviewed terrorist bases along the Line of Control in J & K and the International Border (IB) which had been closed down in the after-math of the 9/11 attacks in US; and 16000 terrorists had been deployed to infilrate into India from these camps; and

(b) if so, Government's reaction thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI I.D. SWAMI): (a) Yes, Sir. Available reports indicate that some of the terrorist training camps in Pak/POK, which were closed down after September 11 attacks in US, have been reactivated. Most of the make shift training camps located in Pak near LoC/IB opposite J&K, are used as launching/base camps for operations in our side. Reports also indicate that a significant number of terrorists of various outfits are present at these launching pads in Pak/POK awaiting infiltration of short notice.

(b) A number of steps for checking infiltration continue to be undertaken. These, *inter-alia*, include multi-tiered counter infiltration deployment along Line of Control/International Border, surveillance of all known infiltration routes, construction of fencing along selected stretches of International Border and Line of Control, deployment of electronic surveillance devices etc.

As per the report of the State Government of J and K during the current year till November 30, 50 infiltration bids were foilded by security forces near LoC/IB killing 172 terrorists, out of whom, 140 were foreign mercenaries.

Support of UN agencies to tackle flood situation in Orissa

1634. SHRI B. J. PANDA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether UN agencies have offered support to Orissa State to tackle flood situation;